

TWENTY-SIX YEARS.

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A STORY HORRIBLE IN ITS DETAIL COMES FROM CITY OF BIALYSTOK

Massacre of Jews There Marked By Brutality that Stands Unrivaled In History of Civilization.

BODIES FRIGHTFULLY MUTILATED

Fiendish Russians Seemed to Delight In Outdoing Each Other In Bloody Work.

St. Petersburg, June 18.—The embargo on news from Bialystok was lifted today and the Associated Press staff correspondent was for the first time allowed to telegraph directly from the sacked city a picture of the scene of carnage and desolation.

According to frequent bulletins order was restored and maintained throughout the day in spite of an incendiary disorder at funerals which were in progress almost the whole day; but the atmosphere is supercharged and a slight event may suffice to precipitate a renewal of fighting.

A story told by the Associated Press correspondent is a dreadful one, revealing indications that he has been prevented by censorship from reporting further details about the condition of corpses, the utter bestiality of both sides and the inability of troops to restrain themselves from excesses during the days of fighting.

It is evident from dispatches that excesses assumed the character of a惨烈的 fight between the mob, and armed members of the Cossack Band who, instead of submissively to the slaughter have done worse, carried war into the enemy camp and fought bravely though without inflicting any appreciable loss of troops, among whom no serious ones have been reported.

Details have been sent by the Associated Press of the Bourse Guards arrived in Bialystok in company with St. Chepkin Saturday who managed to send his messenger Sunday afternoon to the correspondent who accompanied Chepkin directly to the

Cold Blooded Murder.
"I am told soldiers entered apartments of Lapinski brothers, which were crowded with people who had fled from the streets for safety, and ordered the Christians to separate themselves from the Jews. A Christian student named Dikar protested and was killed on the spot. Then all the Jews were shot."

"Some of the bodies were marked with fire. These had been brought from a burned tannery and showed bullet wounds and bayonet thrusts."

"In one corner of the yard was a demented Jewess trying to cover the body of her husband; but her efforts were in vain as the blood simply oozed from beneath the inadequate covering."

Pitiable Tales.

"From the wounded in the hospital the correspondent heard many pitiable stories, all of the same general tenor. Here is an account of a badly wounded merchant named Nekryashky:

"I live in the suburbs. Learning of the program, I tried to reach town through fields, but was interrupted by roughs. My brother was killed, my arm and leg broken, my skull fractured and I was stabbed twice in the side. I fainted from loss of blood and reviving to find a soldier standing over me who asked: 'What are you still alive? Shall I bayonet you?'

"I begged him to spare my life. The roughs again came, but spared me, saying, 'He will die; let him suffer longer.'

The correspondent, who adopts the bitterest tone towards the government, holds that the pogrom undoubtedly was provoked, and attributes responsibility to Police Lieutenant Sheremeteff and says the distinctive characteristic of the outbreak, in which it differs from excesses at Odessa, Kishinev, Gomel and Kiev, aside from bestiality, is comparatively a small amount of the actual robbery committed.

Just Bloodthirsty.

Participants seemingly were not inspired by motives of loot, but of murder and destruction pure and simple. He also holds that participation of troops has been completely proved, and quotes Deputy St. Chepkin as saying this is clearly shown by demoralization of soldiery consequent on removal of all restraint. The correspondent declares not only soldiers but their officers also participated and that he himself was a witness late as Saturday to shooting down of a Jewish girl from the window of a hotel by Lieutenant Miller of the Vladimir regiment. The governor of the province of Grodno, who happened to be passing at the moment, ordered an investigation.

The Associated Press correspondent says the streets of Bialystok were one continuous picture of arson and pillage. Windows and doors of Jewish houses were wide open, giving a view of their wrecked interior, or were boarded up with rude wooden shutters. Everywhere could be seen weeping women hunting for traces of killed or wounded relatives. The principal stores were either devastated wrecks or mere mounds of ashes, among which the wretched proprietors, last week rich, but now reduced to poverty, were wandering about weakly endeavoring to ascertain the extent of their misfortunes. Before practically every house left intact hung an iron with burning lamp, and street doors were marked with great crosses made of chalk or cloth, to show the inmates were christians. The scene at the Jewish hospital was terrible. When the correspondent arrived there the grass plot outside the hospital was covered with mangled corpses, arranged in two long rows, awaiting burial. The wooden walk from the gate to the door over which the bodies were carried, was stained with blood. The dead and wounded were still arriving. Many of them had been lying untouched in the streets for two days. Only the most severely wounded were taken inside the hospital.

Broken and Mangled.

The bodies of some of these were frightfully bruised, broken and mangled. A constant stream of unhappy persons visited the hospital yard and, when allowed to do so, the wards, endeavoring to locate and identify members of their families or friends or obtain the bodies of the dead ones for burial. Some bodies had already been removed, but the hospital attendants asserted that about a hundred in all had been brought in, and that many more remained in the outskirts of Bialystok, where it was still unsafe for the Red Cross detachments to venture. At the district hospital were six dead persons and eight or ten wounded. These were all christians. One man had been killed and two wounded as a result of the explosion of a bomb. Others had bullet wounds. These bodies were not mangled or mutilated, as were the cases with the Jews, whose hands, arms and legs were sometimes chopped off from mere wantonness.

Strong Argument.

The guarantee of the constitution of every man's right to have his grievances heard before the court was also presented to the president forcefully as to why the decision of the secretary of agriculture should not be made final, as would be the case should the words "in the discretion of the secretary of agriculture" be inserted throughout the measure. In this argument, it is said, the president acquiesced on the ground of its containing a fundamental principle of guaranteed rights.

Although tomorrow and Wednesday have been set apart for the passage of bills under suspension of rules in the house, it is probable the agricultural bill will be sent to conference without delay. Ordinarily Speaker Cannon does take such active part in legislation as he has in the present instance. It has been explained, however, that he

MUTUALIZATION WILL PREVAIL

Equitable Stockholders in Favor of It by a Large Majority.

New York, June 18.—The stockholders of the Equitable Life assurance company today, 667 to 59, adopted the formal resolutions authorizing the amended charter, which provides for the mutualization of the society. Formal protests against the amended charter, charging it to be unconstitutional and illegal, were read.

The amended charter will be presented to the board of directors Wednesday of this week, and upon its adoption on that day will be presented to the superintendent of insurance and the attorney general of New York on Thursday.

RAIN COMES JUST IN TIME

Downpour in St. Joe and vicinity Has Saved the Growing Crops.

St. Joseph, Mo., June 18.—An inch and a half rain has fallen in St. Joe and on the rice corn and wheat raising valley adjoining during the last twenty-four hours. Serious fears of a crop failure are now set at rest and farmers and business men are jubilant over the outlook. Reports show steady rain is falling over portions of Kansas and Nebraska tonight.

St. Joseph jobbers assert that hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of advance orders would have been cancelled had the drought continued another week.

NAVAHOE IS THE WINNER

American Built Ship Is the Winner of Emperor's Cup.

Holigoland, June 18.—In the Dover-Holigoland yacht race for Emperor William's cup which started Saturday morning, the American-built yawl Navaho, owned by George W. Watjen of Bremen, crossed the finish line at 8:05 this evening, the British cutter Alisa at 9, and the British-built schooner Clara at 9:30.

FREDDY MUTH HAS BEEN FOUND

Philadelphia Kidnapped Boy at Last Has Been Recovered.

Philadelphia, June 18.—Little Freddie Muth, who was kidnapped from school on Tuesday last, was recovered from his captors in a sensational manner this afternoon. For several days the identity of the kidnaper had been known to the police, but despite efforts of 400 men who had been working on the case, he was not located until today.

Accompanied by one of his men Chief Detective Donaghy went to 26 North Sixty-Second street, West Philadelphia, and there found John Joseph Kean, with his captive. Kean attempted to escape, but was shot at by the detectives and finally surrendered.

The kidnaper is 42 years old and described as a former stock broker, who has recently been a real estate agent. It is believed his desperate financial situation drove him to the crime. In communications to the father of the child he demanded \$5,000 for its return, and in a letter written Friday declared that he would kill the child and himself if the money was not forthcoming.

Kean's terms were acceded to in a "personal" inserted in all Saturday's papers. Meanwhile misleading stories had been given to the public by the police in order to serve their purpose.

The boy was apparently unharmed, except that he bore evidence of suffering from hunger and exposure.

HOW CASSATT WILL PAY

French Loan Will Meet Expense of the Proposed Betterment.

Philadelphia, June 18.—Confirming the announcement of negotiations with Kuhn, Loeb and company, covering the placing by them with French banks of \$5,000,000 Pennsylvania company's 3% per cent French franc loan of 1904, guaranteed by the Pennsylvania railroad company, President Cassatt said tonight that the proceeds of the French loan, together with amounts said to be available from other resources of the company, will meet payments for the 33,000 50-ton steel cars and 313 locomotives which are being built at a cost of \$42,000,000 and also provide money for the completion of the water supply system.

PEARL BIG AS MARBLE

Largest Fresh Water Specimen Found by Poor Man in Minnesota.

Redwing, Minn., June 18.—Wm. Bates, a clam fisher, has found a pearl in a clam shell which is said to be the largest fresh water pearl in existence. It weighs 5 grains. He does not know its value but estimates it at from \$10,000 to \$100,000. It is as large as a good sized marble and has a beautiful lustre. Bates and wife heretofore have been very poor.

POSTMASTERS CONFIRMED.

Washington, June 18.—Postmasters were confirmed for Illinois as follows: T. W. Price, Astoria; W. H. Shaw, Calumet; C. M. C. Weedman, Farmer City; S. P. Wood, Farmington; J. T. Van Gundev, Monticello.

Mrs. Harold Hutchinson Shoots and Kills Mrs. Carl Bode.

Salida, Colo., June 18.—Mrs. Carl Bode, wife of a railroad engineer, was shot and killed today by Mrs. Harold Hutchinson, wife of a switchman. Jealousy was the cause.

DEATH ENDS SUFFERING OF GOVERNOR J. M. PATTISON

Ohio's Chief Executive Succumbs To Ravages of Disease at His Country Home.

Cincinnati, June 18.—John M. Pattison, governor of Ohio, died of Bright's disease, or chronic interstitial nephritis at 4:20 this afternoon at his home in Milford, fifteen miles east of this city.

On the hillside near his home his body will be laid to rest Thursday afternoon after services in the Methodist church. One week ago the governor was carried into his home from which he had gone five months before his inauguration as chief executive of the state, the intervening time having been spent on a bed of pain.

End Was Sudden.

His death came suddenly and was unexpected even by his physicians and family and was caused by a relapse from his disease. The declining stage of Governor Pattison's illness dates from last Friday, when his wish to be taken out on the front porch of his home was granted. He locked over the familiar scenes and was in great spirits, when suddenly he complained of severe pain. The sick cot was hurriedly wheeled into the house and the nurses applied stimulants and his physician was hastily summoned. This attack was really the beginning of the end, though the governor soon rallied and Friday evening seemed as well as he had been before. The doctor was so encouraged with the condition of the governor Sunday that he hesitated about coming out from Cincinnati today. Last night at 8 o'clock the governor lay down to sleep.

He recovered sufficiently to be brought to a hospital in Cincinnati, where he spent several weeks, and was then taken to his country home where he died this afternoon.

Better At Times.

Several times he seemed so far recovered that his speedy appearance at the executive office was looked for at most any time, but weather conditions and his weakened system forbade taking of any risks so that he was kept closely to his home.

The severest setback during his illness came about the middle of March and for several days he hovered between life and death.

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Always Prominent.

He was born in Clermont county, O. June 13, 1847, enlisted in the Federal army in 1861, entered college soon after, graduated in 1869. He was a member of the legislature and of congress and was prominent in his profession. He was a leader in the fight for Sabbath observance in the state senate and it was as a reformer that he was nominated and elected governor last November.

Herrick Wins Sympathy.

Cleveland, June 18.—Former Governor Patterson last fall, upon being informed of the death of the latter on November, sent a telegram of sympathy to Mrs. Patterson.

KING HAAKON AND QUEEN

Received with Marks of Esteem Along Route of Journey.

AMERICAN VISITORS ARRIVE

At Christiania and Are Given a Hearty Reception.

CHERRIES RIPE AND PLENTIFUL

Long Time Since Illinois Knew Such a Crop of Fruit.

THE PRICES ARE LOW

And Cherry Pies Are in for a Great Run.

This is the day of the luscious cherry pie. Those succulent globules are coming into the market by the ton and prices are very low. The housewives are delighting the "bubbles" with delectable decorations even "as mother used to make" and the youthful scions who represent future America are wearing suspicious signs all over their faces.

Not for years has the cherry crop been so great. The product is of the finest quality and the kitchens of the city are fairly steaming with the smell of preserves, while the motherly heads of establishments are taking great pride in their exposition of one species of the "great American pie."

Cherries are selling in the market at 25c and 10c a quart and it has been many years since they were offered to the public so low. Dealers in general are overstocked with the fruit while others even go so far as to say that they cannot get all they want for the reason that they are so cheap it is impossible to get any one to pick them. The only way to get enough for the market, they say, is to go right into the country and pick the fruit themselves. Trees everywhere are loaded down and the birds are living high these days. The occasion is ripe for the old saying "cherries to throw to the birds."

Other Fruits.

The local crop of strawberries is gone and the supplies, largely from Michigan, are large, sound and of good flavor, selling from 12½ to 15 cents a box.

Pineapples continue to come in great quantities and there seems no let up to them. They are simply glutting the market. They are being disposed of at ridiculously low prices and those who love to have the shelves of their cellars decorated with preserves when the snow flies are taking advantage of the low prices. The best "pines" bring but half that figure.

The first blackberries and raspberries of the season have made their appearance within the past few days and are selling at 15 cents. They are only fair quality but this is improving every day.

Cantaloupes from far off Mexico are on the market and have been there for two weeks past, and watermelons have also come to stay during the remainder of the season. Both are selling reasonably low, cantaloupes at 10c and watermelons at 60c.

Old potatoes are a thing of the past now, the home grown variety having made their appearance on the local market for the first time yesterday morning.

The vegetable market is plentifully supplied from near-by truck farms with the prices very reasonable.

CALLED BY SICKNESS.

Fred Brummell and family of Springfield were called to Decatur yesterday on account of the serious illness of the former's father, George Brummell, on East Main street.

BIG GATHERING OF MASONs.

Boston, June 18.—Nearly every affiliated grand council in the country is represented at the ninth triennial session of the grand council of Royal and Select Masters of the United States, which convened in this city today.

General Grandmaster Swanstrum of St. Paul delivered the triennial address. Representatives from the independent grand councils of Michigan, Connecticut, Rhode Island and Illinois were admitted to the assembly as spectators.

HOUSE ADJOURS.

Upon Being Officially Notified of the Death of Lester.

Washington, June 18.—The house adjourned soon after recess. The agricultural bill was sent back to committee. The death of Lester of Georgia was announced and as a mark of respect the house adjourned until tomorrow.

MEETS AT ST. PAUL.

National Divorce Committee is Called for September 1.

South Bend, Ind., June 18.—State Senator M. Talcott announced today the national divorce congress committee, having in charge the drafting of a statute embodying the regulations adopted by the National Divorce Congress on uniform divorce laws last February, will meet in St. Paul September 1.

THE LOCAL WEATHER.

The local weather conditions for the twenty-four hours ended at 7 p. m. Monday, as reported by J. H. Conradi, government observer, follow:

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YATES TO FIGHT TO THE FINISH

"Give No Quarter" Is the
Battle Cry of His Cam-
paign.

LIKES THE NEW LAW

In Circular to Leaders Says
He Is Pleased.

Regarding the senatorial campaign of Yates J. J. Lane in the Inter Ocean has the following to say:

If there has been any question as to what course Richard Yates will follow in his campaign for the United States senatorship, all doubt is removed by the circular which he is sending from his Springfield headquarters to his county campaign managers and the personal letters being sent out by his friends throughout the state.

The burden of these communications is "fight to the finish."

Never at any time since he first declared himself a candidate for the senate has Yates seemed so determined to put every county in the state and every ward in Chicago on record on the senatorial question. He is determined to compel every county and ward, first by its vote for senator in the primaries, and later by the action of its delegation in the state convention, to declare whether it is for him or for Culom for United States senator.

If Yates ever had an idea of quitting, all such thoughts have been driven from his mind by the largest demand of his organization leaders down the state. That he is a candidate to the end, the Yates leaders still maintain their organization in the state.

Organization In Bulwark.

It has not been delivered to any one else. They want to be shown by the vote at the primaries and by the vote of the Chicago ward delegations in the next state convention just where Governor Deeney and his organization in Chicago stand with regard to Yates and his candidacy for the senate. The future action and policy of the Yates state organization will be determined by the result of the Chicago primaries and the Senatorship, and the vote of the Denton ward delegations in the state convention on the question of endorsing a candidate for the senate.

Leaders Are Loyal.

The following extract from a letter recently written by a strong Yates man down the state indicates plainly the position of the Yates organization leaders:

It is of the utmost importance to the future integrity of the party that it be shown plainly by the vote on Aug. 4 and by the roll call on Aug. 21 exactly where each county, city, township, and ward stands. It is of the utmost importance to the future of the party to know exactly whether Chicago republicans appreciate the action of Yates' friends in the last state convention in placing the state administration with the control of the Chicago republicans. We think that Yates and his friends did more in one hour to bring about what Chicago people wanted in state affairs than all other efforts, whether called by the name of reform or not, which had been going on for ten years. The time is now to find out whether such a movement on the part of country republicans, like Yates' friends, is properly appreciated, is to let his case go to a vote at the primaries, and if there is any doubt there, then to let us go further on to the convention. In this way the Chicago wavers can show by their action whether or not they stand ready to help people who try to help Chicago. For this reason, if for no other, our battle will be fought right out to the end.

Yates, in his recent circular to his campaign leaders, declares himself pleased with the new primary law so far as it relates to the contest for the senatorship.

Likes Primary Law.

Part of this circular reads as follows:

Under the new law the grand total vote on United States senator must not only be counted up by the state canvassing board, but it must be certified to the secretary of state.

Nor is this all. The secretary of state must certify a tabulated statement of the result of the count to the secretary of the state convention.

This formally notifies the state convention that after the primary election has been held throughout the state, with definite results.

This puts the state convention in the attitude of going very much out of the way in case it should attempt to ignore the result—the popular verdict.

This provision is a step beyond the state law, and is desirable in other words, an improvement.

It is accordingly apparent that the vote on the United States senatorship is more important than ever.

Please do not forget to urge all county committeemen to see that when dividing the counties into new delegate districts, as provided by the new law, they make apportionments which are absolutely fair and impartial.

Once made, delegate districts must remain for years. They should be made for the benefit of the party, and not of any candidate.

Comes Here July 1.

Yates is planning to resume his campaign about July 1. The extract from the Yates man's letter given above indicates what his line of argument will be. It shows that he will meet the question squarely, and the Denton supporters whether they propose to recognize what he did for Deeney, who was their candidate in the last state convention. Incidentally the same question will be put up to the governor himself.

ODD FELLOWS HOLD MEMORIAL SERVICE

The annual memorial services of the Odd Fellows were held last night at the Central Church of Christ, and were largely attended by the members of the different lodges of the city. The members met at the Odd Fellows hall at the corner of North Main and West William streets and marched in a body to the church, where the memorial sermon was preached by Rev. F. W. Burnham, the pastor of the church.

who has for the past four years conducted these services. A large crowd attended the services.

Decorated Graves.

The usual custom of decorating the graves of the deceased members was carried out Sunday morning at Greenwood cemetery, by a committee of twelve people, three from each lodge. The committee was composed of the following: Will Morris, F. N. Kelso, J. W. Phenix, Robert Hollinger, J. J. Fahey, L. Fulling, George Ashton, Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Seefurt, J. A. Bell, J. L. Feltz and Mr. Daly.

Church Program.

At the church the following program was presented:

Wife—Mrs. Storer.

Altarum—"I Will Sing of Thy Mercies" (Gabriel), choir with solo for baritone by Warren Stadler.

Hymn—Congregation.

Memorial Offerings.

Decades of Progress Rebekah Lodge No. 11—Hand Martini, Emily T. Gardner, Armenta E. Hendricks—By Cedarville Underwood.

Decades of Decatur Lodge No. 65—Amos Folk, Henry B. Waggoner, Landy Martin—By John Allen.

Decades of Celestial Lodge No. 186—James L. Peake—By Hon. Owen Scott.

Offertory.

Anthem—"Lord, My Strength and My Redeemer" (Lorenz), choir, with double soprano obligato by Misses Finsell and Miller.

Address—Rev. F. W. Burnham, pastor.

Benediction.

The Address.

In his address to the members of the order Mr. Burnham said:

Friends and Members of the Order of Odd Fellows, and Sisters of the Rebekah Lodge—We thank you here this beautiful summer evening in this your annual memorial service, as laborers together in the great vineyard of the Almighty. You have met in this quiet service, amid these tokens of regard and friendship, to give expression to a high and ennobling sentiment, namely the cherishing in memory of the beloved departed.

"Allow me to express my own sense of the honor which you confer upon me. In thus, for the fourth time within the five years of my residence in this city, requesting me to become the mouthpiece on behalf of your order.

While I shall be able to bring nothing

new with regard to the organization itself; but only to set forth again some of its first principles, yet my experience leads me to believe that you only demand a fair and impartial statement in order that your tenets, your motives and your ideals may be properly understood.

About the Service.

"First: may I say a word about this service itself. In the midst of so many recurring anniversaries and memorials, when almost every one of the multitude of fraternal societies observes a day for decorating graves and calling the roll of departed members; when school and college commencements crowd fast upon each other until all the days seem full, I have no doubt that you find tendency on the part of some to neglect, or lightly to pass over, this memorial for Odd Fellowship. But is this well? Do we not wisely to allow this service to decline into a perfunctory performance of an unwelcome task?

If you really cherish the order to which you belong you cannot so look

upon a service of this character. Let

it be remembered after we have done by those who have been our companions and associates in life is one of the most fundamental inchoates of the human heart. Apart from all considerations of selfishness or self esteem this emotion is inseparably connected with the life of human spirits.

The Good Feeling.

What that brings to our hearts the deepest satisfaction, and stirs our souls with a sense of most lasting joy is just the mingling here with kindly and kindred spirits in an atmosphere of affection; and we cannot escape the feeling, if we would, that if this affection be genuine its fragrance will carry over many a day after the familiar form and face have ceased to appear.

These memorial services, then, constitute a court of test of the genuineness of your relations as true Odd Fellows, and you must not forget that a critical world will make large allowances for all that may be said or written in favor of your order, if men see that affection is only a name with you, and that devotion is dead. As you prize the principles and the works of Odd Fellowship, then, let this memorial be sacredly kept from year to year, and let the returning opportunity of demonstrating the sincerity of your vows find you growing conscious of its sacredness.

Ment Packets, Too.

"The meat packers of a city band themselves together in the wholly wretched of an American 'true.' The cleanliness of the shop, the purity of the product, the wholesomeness of the food and the laws of state and nation are all we care regarded than devils regard the decaulons in hell. The unhygienic greed of wealth is the thorn that choked out the heart of too many corporations.

"Office holders today are assailed.

The temptations of graft and boodle were never greater. From United States senator down to county and municipal official the unhygienic ways of men bring out the worst products to view.

Start Out Right.

"Many a young man and young woman start out right today with noble ambitions and high ideals. The schools and churches of our land give balsam to the mind and wings to the soul; the progress is rapid and the flight glorious.

How superb to think of the soul outgrowing all its difficulties. But the world brings with it many temptations and unless our youth are aware the thorns will spring up one by one in their lives and choke out the beauty of pure life.

"A scandal comes into our public life. An insane asylum is grossly mismanaged and it becomes apparent that the dogs of lust have checked out the sense of a proper care of feeble minded victims.

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Persevere At Home.

"Today an arm official is exposed in the Philippines but tomorrow it may be the town mayor or chief of police who shows the cloven foot. The thorns have checked out the good of their lives and they are jail birds yet uncaged, or shaven-headed—striped-dressed subjects of some penitentiary warden whose grip they soon must feel.

"Thank God that men need not be

so. With the help of Jesus Christ who told men he was a Savior, a man can be king over the realm of evil. Pluck out the thorns when they first appear and bring forth fruit to the glory and honor of God, which will be the best credit certificate to yourself."

Gag Rule.

When the gag rule on the postoffice appropriation bill was called up in the house recently, General Grosvenor stood up to denounce the habit that has grown on the minority side of carrying these pleasant devices of the committee on rules "gags." The chairman of the filibuster that John Williams has been conducting, rather wearisomely to the Republicans, and spoke mournfully of the series of roll calls that had disturbed his serenity.

"They talk on that side about getting the business of the house into the hands of the individual members," he said.

"Well, we have got the business

of the house pretty well into the hands

of an individual member now."

And then he looked around wonderingly, as he did not comprehend why the democ-

Presents Opportunity.

"But, once more, this annual memori-

al service presents the rare and vital opportunity of telling the general public of the consternation, of the entire state of alarm, the question

which they propose to recon-

cern, incidentally the same question

which he did for Deeney, who was

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The Principles.

Here, then, Mr. Burnham took up the

principles of Odd Fellowship, friend-

ship, love and truth, showed how they

were founded upon the word of God;

and essential to the evolution and well-

being of mankind and of universal ap-

plication. He spoke also of what Odd

Fellowship is doing in a practical way

to exemplify these principles; of its

works of relief and charity, of tempo-

ral benefits in a member's time of

need, of its homes, hospitals and asyl-

ums for the orphan, the aged and the

disabled, and commanded its work

generally.

THE JUDGES ARE NAMED

**PREACHER ON
PUBLIC SCANDAL**

The Board of Supervisors
Have Abolished County
Rock Pile.

TO MAKE ABSTRACTS

Officers Quarterly Reports
Approved by Board.

AT CLINTON CHURCH

He Delivers a Timely Sermon to Big Crowd.

Millade Are Fields.

"Our minds or souls are fields in which the great Master of the Universe sows good seed. Too many of us are careless and indifferent about cultivating the crop and thus thorns usurp the territory of our lives and choke out all the good."

The history of nations is true in this parable.

Clinton, Ill., June 17.—"Choked to Death by Usurpers," was Rev. N. M. Riggs' theme at the Methodist church last night.

An attentive audience was present at the hour for evening services. The sermon was the third in a series to the general public.

Mr. Riggs' theme was "The work of repairing the court house coping upon the approval of Supervisor Schiele of the public building committee. The repair work there will be more extensive than the board had at first contemplated and the amount involved in wages will be considerable. For that reason from time to time sums will be advanced to pay the men engaged in the work. Already over \$500 have been expended on that job and before it is finished, in all probability, \$1,500 will have been expended.

May Issue Orders.

The clerk was directed to issue warrants to Theodore Brinkoefer, who has charge of the work of repairing

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Counties to The Herald.

The formal bond of the supervisor of assessments was presented and approved by the board. The bond is in the sum of \$2,000.

NEARBY TOWNS

MT. AUBURN.

June 16.—Miss Ida Shepard Friday for a visit with relatives and friends. She is erecting a modern oak street at Mt. Auburn of Edinburg is W. Yarkey and family. Auburn band is considering July picnic. McGrath of Assumption is principal of the school for seven months at \$1 per month. The town of Edinburg will intermediate grades and High the primary. Davidson, Mrs. F. D. State of Marquette, were Spring- Friday. Dorothy and Mary, visitors Friday. Anna Maze of Poughkeepsie, Indiana, is visiting her daughter, Zonneveld, of near Grove City. Smith is home for a visit from Ed L. Smith, and family just graduated from a course at the Marion, Indiana, college. Moore of Oklahoma is visiting Rev. L. C. Moore, and

WILLEY.

June 16.—Rev. M. L. Brown of Marion was in our town Saturday. J. Yockey and daughter, Pearl of Taylorville, visited Mrs. Hall was a Taylorville visitor Wednesday. Bert Misk was a Taylorville visitor. Stork transacted business Taylorville Thursday. J. Y. Shantz was here Wednesday. T. A. Parks was a Taylorville visitor Wednesday. J. Phillips and Charles Hall were visitors Friday. Rev. Neel of Chicago is visiting aunt, Mrs. Carolina Shantz.

PHILO.

June 16.—Miss Gertrude has resigned her position in the schools at Urbana, Ill., to take place in the Smelter, Montezuma schools.

John's day was observed Sunday at the Presbyterian church with exercises by the children of the Sunday

day school. Miss Hesse visited her parents who have returned to Champaign to take up work at the summer of the U. S.

Frances Wrenn of Champaign is the guest of her grandparents, Mrs. Emma and wife. Misses Mary, Agnes and Margarette, three commencement exercises in Rockford Thursday evening. Agnes Wegeng and Lulu visited in Champaign from basketball team is figuring on two games at home July 4.

The Wahab pay car gladdened local wives Wednesday.

Weaver and wife have returned from their visit in Chicago. Village authorities have been calling the boys for train flipping. Police Magistrate Richey of Indianapolis in most of his time.

J. Hess is visiting his son, Porterfield, who has been very quiet some better.

Lawrence Sandell is visiting Steve at Marion.

Many home from DePauw University for the summer. Hessendorfer is in South Dakota presiding.

Heiter was a business visitor to Marion Wednesday.

LATHAM.

June 16.—Charles Conner completed his first next week at Frank Klick's new swimming along nicely.

Frank Randolph, the primary teacher, and who has been sick for some time is now getting better. Bert Buckland sustained a very bad cut few days ago while she broke a bar cutting it.

He went to Peculiar on business. King is the order of the day.

W. E. Klock was in Mt. Pulaski on Thursday and Friday, and went to Atlanta on Saturday returning Saturday.

Arrived from George Klock who have gone to Denver for the summer, is that they and the boys, Elmer and Eddie, are in school for the summer. The new newspaper for the city, having the name of "The Daily Mail," is in the hands of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Mayes, who are home from Milligan University at Decatur, where they have since last September.

SULLIVAN.

June 16.—Mrs. O. J. Gandy who has been visiting for several weeks in Danville, Pa., returned Saturday morning.

Miss Eva Burke returned from Mt. Pulaski, Mo., Friday evening where she had a position as trimmer in a dry goods store.

Mrs. J. C. Farney is numbered among the sick.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Pifer returned from a two-weeks visit among the northern lakes.

Ward Jenkins, a student in the law department of the Northwestern College at Chicago, who has a position in the correspondence department of the Illinois and Rock Island during his vacation, is reported quite sick in the hospital.

I. C. Club Summary. Friends in Council, one of the many clubs of Sullivan, at a called meeting held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. McKenzie, Friday evening, had a very pleasant and profitable year's work.

This club was organized January 1, A. D. 1904, and has worked in three divisions.

The history, literary and music and

During the past year the history division with Miss Lou Phelps as chairman, continued the study of the United States history commenced the previous year, the reading having been divided into two years' work.

The Saint Cecilia division with Mr. E. A. Stedman as chairman. Their study was "Music and Art in America." The literary division with Mrs. W. P. Davidson as chairman made a study of French literature.

The divisions have had separate

weekly meetings, with one union meeting of the entire club at the last of each month. This club was instrumental in bringing the winter indoor chautauqua to this city during the two past years.

The retiring officers of the club were Mrs. F. E. Pifer, president; Mrs. M. S. Vance, secretary, Mrs. O. L. Todd, treasurer.

At Friday night meeting reports from the secretary and treasurer were heard and disposed of.

It was decided that the club would abandon the divisions and work as a unit club the coming year.

The course of study for the coming year was discussed, but not fully decided upon, and was placed in the hands of competent committees who will decide and arrange the year book in the near future.

Two new members were elected to the club, Mrs. B. F. Pedro and Miss Emma Jenkins.

The following were the officers elected for the coming year:

President—Miss Lou Phelps.

Vice President—Mrs. E. A. Stedman.

Secretary—Mrs. Adelle Burns.

Treasurer—Mrs. O. L. Todd.

The club adjourned to meet the first week in October, 1906.

MACON.

Special Correspondence.

Macon, Ill., June 16.—Carl Banta of Franklin, Ind., was the guest of friends and relatives in this vicinity for a few days this week.

Miss Mar Jacobs was the guest of Miss Rose Cutler in Moweaqua Friday night.

Fred Kraeshel is quite ill at his home east of town.

Mrs. Bessele Redman Kenner, Misses Hallie Redman, Mae Jacobs, Edith Gardner, Adele Griffith and Emma Horn were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Will Shantz Wednesday night. The guests had only intended to spend the evening but were rained in so the affair was turned into a dinner party and proved a very enjoyable occasion.

About 125 Macon people took advantage of the ten-cent excursion Thursday.

The Macon baseball team won an easy victory of 16 to 6 over the Bloomington girls Wednesday.

Miss Walter Laird was a business visitor in Decatur Friday.

Mrs. Elm of Mt. Pulaski was here, Freder Browning and the Rathbone Lodge meeting. She was entertained by Mr. H. R. Woodcock.

Rev. M. N. English was a business visitor in Bloomington Thursday.

WALKER.

Special Correspondence.

Walker, Ill., June 16.—The following persons were Decatur visitors Thursday: J. E. Jacobs, W. Miller, Judd Carr, and their wives.

F. Flicker left Tuesday for an extended trip through the northwest.

J. Lindemood, of Alton, was a business visitor in Walker Saturday.

Quite a number from here attended the ball game in Macon Wednesday between the Star Bloomer Girls and the Macon Maroons.

Ed Hall attended the races in Macon Saturday.

Cecil Lowe, of Kewanee, was the guest of Willard Jacobs Saturday.

Mrs. J. E. Jacobs will leave in a few days for Los Angeles, Calif., where she will visit friends and relatives for several weeks.

Miss Alta Culbertson was shopping in Decatur Friday.

T. J. Wright is hauling lumber from the G. S. Eight lumber yard for his new barn, which he is erecting on his farm west of town.

Bert Conley of Decatur is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Frank Reinhard, for a few days.

John Christenson was in Decatur Friday.

C. H. Hill and Frank Ackerman of Macon were the guests of Ed Hill Friday.

There will be an ice cream and strawberry social at the Sanner Chapel Tuesday evening, the 19th.

MT. PULASKI.

Special Correspondence.

Mt. Pulaski, Ill., June 15.—The third quarterly conference of the Mt. M. E. church was held Sunday at the church on Main Street, Rev. Mr. Murphy officiating.

J. R. Ayers and daughter, Mrs. F. B. Snyder and baby, Miss Minnie Hershey and Mrs. A. F. Clark drove to Lincoln, Monday.

The Decoration service of the Knights of Pythias, Modern Woodmen of the World and their auxiliary societies were held in the grove at the cemetery Sunday, June 10, Rev. H. P. Montgomery of the M. E. church delivered a most impressive address. Minnie was furnished by the Mt. Pulaski church and an octette of the church sang.

Henry Major, E. O. May, W. H. Lachener, J. D. Webster, G. J. Leberecht, A. F. Clark, George Voller and F. B. Snyder.

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CERRO GORDO.

Special Correspondence.

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A. G. Althouse and daughter, Tressie, are visiting relatives in Wilmette this week.

Mrs. Charles Kirkland and two children, of Taylorville, are visiting at the home of the former's parents.

Fred Dobson shipped two carloads of cattle to Chicago this week.

Mrs. James Peeler and daughter, Mrs. Upland, are visiting at the home of the former's sister, Mrs. J. T. Quinn.

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MANSFIELD.

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Mansfield, June 15.—Mrs. W. H. Bridgeman and wife of Washington, D. C., arrived here Monday to visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Fairbanks.

Walter Glouster of Monticello, has bought the barber fixtures of C. M. Shore and will work in the old stand in Hotel Monroe shop.

W. D. Fairbanks came home from Green county Tuesday evening and has been under the doctor's care since.

Grandma Miller is growing weaker all the time. There is little hope of her recovery.

Died at her home on the Paisley farm about three miles east of here, on Monday of this week, Mrs. Cottell, who whose husband moved from Mr. Silcox's house to the farm to work for Dan Wolf. The remains were taken to her former home in Kentucky on the train Monday night for burial there.

Died at his home in Newcastle, Ind., at 1:30 a. m., of paralytic stroke.

Ethel Sutton returned Wednesday from an extended visit with her sister in Decatur.

Mrs. L. Hale and Miss Trenna Hale, of Bethany, are visiting at the home of the former's parents this week.

Sanford Grove has returned home

The deceased was a son of Squire Tibbs, who used to reside in old St. Joe. He leaves a widow and one adopted son, also an aged mother, three brothers and one sister, all present at the funeral.

Mr. Murphy of Michigan, brother-in-law of Ross Gladwin, is visiting him a few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Slater were Champaign visitors on Wednesday of this week.

Isaac Hillgrass is preparing to build a new house on the corner north of the Dunkard church.

Mrs. Hyatt and Mrs. Shell of Farmer City, visited in Mansfield Tuesday, the former with Mrs. A. L. Atwood and the latter, Mrs. W. J. Sisson.

Robert Howe has treated his house to a coat of paint, which makes it look quite new again.

Cherry picking will soon be the order of the day. There is an abundant crop around here and generally good quality.

HARRISTOWN.

Special Correspondence.

Harristown, June 15.—Adabel Lawrence of Decatur, visited with Fay and Fred over Sunday.

Arthur Pritchett and family, of Niagata, visited with James Bymans Sunday afternoon.

Dr. Newkirk is having material hauled for his office. W. S. Brown is doing the work.

A. J. Moore of Eureka, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Jerome Byman.

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Well after all our alarm as the result of the exposure of the methods in the slaughter houses, hogs tipped the highest price of the year a few days ago.

Texas has not yet endorsed Bryan as the available candidate of the democracy for 1908, but then Texas has some presidential timber of her own.

If Bryan runs again it is hoped he will not need two vice presidential candidates to expand the tail of the ticket.

It now looks as if congress could not adjourn before July 15 at least. It has many important matters yet to dispose of among which is the type of canal, the pure food bill and the inspection bill.

There is absolutely nothing in the theory that the packers should be made to pay the cost of inspection because they would at once add it to the cost of production and deduct it from the price of cattle, hogs and sheep.

Oklahoma will not be much of a stripping when she joins the sister states. She will go into business with five congressmen in the house of representatives and two senators. There are sixteen states, some of them old as the government, that have not five members of the house.

Governor Patterson, of Ohio, gave much promise of becoming an excellent executive. That was before election and, before his present illness. It has now been over five months since he was inaugurated and in all that time he has never visited the capital. He has been removed from a hospital in Cincinnati to his old home at Milford and the outlook for his recovery is said to be decidedly discouraging. Indeed the case of Governor Patterson is exceedingly pitiable.

A Pittsburgh minister in the Presbyterian church is to be investigated because it is alleged that he neglects to visit his parishioners to attend baseball games. This does not sound just right. The ball game does not last over two hours and this leaves him the remainder of the day for visiting and performing other pastoral duties. The chances are that the game do him a lot of good and that his congregation does not suffer as result. Perhaps he is arraigned by some of those who never expect to smile again.

Senator Crane has given Washington society a jolt. The surprise is over the announcement of his engagement to Josephine Boardman. The senator was supposed to be immune. He went to Washington with that reputation. He had been a widower for years. No wonder than that the announcement caused a stir. It was supposed when he arrived at the capital city that society would have no charms for him, that he would not be seen at the various social functions. Senator Crane proved to be a surprise, however, and now he has given Washington a new jolt. All of which proves that "one never can tell."

Baron Speck von Sternberg's declaration that Roosevelt's famous sayings are duplicates of the sayings of an ancient Chinese philosopher might have been accepted had not the ambassador made some comparisons. The comparisons fail to prove the assertion. The philosophy is similar but the method of statement is altogether dissimilar.

Reasonable people will bear in mind that it is impossible to increase the population without increasing the number of defectors and criminals and that it is equally impossible to increase the number of business transactions without relatively increasing the number of crooked transactions.

THE DIRT WE EAT.

Don't quit eating meat simply because some men with dirty hands handle them. If you will take these things into consideration you will have to quit eating many other things, including the drinking of milk. In matters of the stomach ignorance is bliss. If we could see all the processes in the preparation of foods we would all die of starvation. There is nothing clean, nothing at all, just as it was said of men that there is nothing righteous. Even the predigested breakfast foods of which we have heard so much develop ugly things such as worms, if not properly kept.

THE PURE FOOD BILL.

There appears to be some chance still for the pure food bill to get through the house this session. It is reported that Speaker Cannon will report a rule to take the bill up next Tuesday for debate and disposition. This makes it practically certain that a man or combination of men have the strength to get, hold, or own as much money or property of the country as

with the canned products of the packing houses and that these corporations have all the while been behind the opposition to the bill. The substitute meat inspection bill agreed to by a majority of the committee, largely modifies the Beveridge bill which came from the senate. The modifications all favor the packers. It is claimed that the modifications are due to their influence. No sooner had this fact come to the ears of the president than he promptly made known his opposition to the bill in its amended form and at the same time reacted to influence to bring forward the pure food bill which the speaker has consented to. Thus it appears that the war between the president and the packers is continuing along more lines than the public has suspected. The president apparently is able to meet the move made by the packers and their friends in congress promptly whenever they show their hands. These facts argue that the packers are making a foolish fight. They have been detected in unscrupulous methods and the government is attempting to force them to correct these abuses and the packers, instead of accepting the situation and addressing themselves to a much needed reform have elected to become arrogant and ugly by defying the government. The prompt resurrection of the pure food bill through the influence of the president indicates that the packers are not having it all their own way.

The sudden decision of the Standard Oil trust to refuse to refute the charge of rebating filed with the interstate commerce commission indicates also that that corporation, as against the government, is not having everything its own way. Many other corporations that the general government is after under the Sherman anti-trust law and the interstate commerce law have likewise unfurled the flag of distress all of which goes to show that advanced thinkers, the log cabin dweller has sacred duty incumbent upon him by the very fact of his residence. He is morally bound to go out and dynamite everybody who can afford to live in a structure more pretentious than a log cabin.

On the contrary, according to our advanced thinkers, the log cabin dweller has attained a month before it is almost half way between the \$32 and the \$33 marks and, in view of the rapid increment in the volume of circulation recently, gives promise that the latter figure will be reached before long. It is of interest to recall that the \$30 mark was not passed until less than three years ago, namely, on Dec. 1, 1903, when it was \$30.21. In less than a year, namely, on May 1, 1904, the per capita circulation went a little above the \$31 mark (\$31.02). A month ago the \$32 mark was passed, and now the circulation has almost gone half way toward the next dollar mark.

This being true it might prove extremely dangerous, except when the criminal is taken in the act, or there are other witnesses to the assault, to enact such a law. There might be grave danger in executing innocent men charged with assault through jealousy, spite or revenge, or occasionally through a desire for notoriety. Not long since in the state of Missouri some men were lynched upon identification by the woman and it was afterward discovered that they were innocent—a case of mistaken identity.

There can be no question that such a crime should be punished by death but any law providing for such punishment should be very carefully drawn and should be hedged about with many safeguards.

Perhaps the public exhibition of the Lincoln log cabin—or of the various Lincoln log cabins—may have a tendency to modify this revised version of the golden rule. It may be that the gospel of hopelessness will not find so ready an acceptance in the face of this reminder that the greatest of Americans began life in a log cabin and rose to pre-eminence without killing anybody or even burning a neighbor's barn.

The expectation may be over-sanguine, but we shall indulge it just the same.

GOMPERS AND CONGRESS.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, has labored industriously for some time to secure action by congress to admit the rules of union labor into the departments of the government. It seems that congress does not believe that it would be in the interest of the public service for the power of officials of labor or any other organization to come into conflict with the rules of the department and their official heads, doubtless upon the maxim that one cannot serve two masters and prove fatal to both. Mr. Gompers appears to be unwilling to accept the views of congress in the matter and in an address to an organization of printers announced his determination to make the matter a campaign issue and defeat every congressman who unfortunately cannot come to his views on this matter. According to the speech as reported, he referred especially to republican congressmen, presumably for the reason that they are in the majority and responsible for legislation.

This is a question which has not been brought to the attention of the people. If Mr. Gompers carries out his threat the public, of course, will give it some attention and proceed to think about the propriety of the movement. It will be recalled that the same thing was presented to President Roosevelt. It seems that some one was removed from employment in the public printing bureau, or perhaps from one position to another and some of the representatives of some union protested on the grounds that it was not done in accordance with the rules of the union. The president very clearly showed that union rules could not obtain in the civil service because they were able to dispose of, and accepted tolls for the same but this cannot excuse them. It was the business of the companies to know how much they could do and accept no more. The individual who goes to a telegraph company goes there because he expects speedy transmission and delivery. That is what he pays for and is entitled to the kind of service he pays for.

FASHION GETTING SENSIBLE.

Cedar Rapids Gazette: George M. Chappell, the government weather forecaster at Des Moines, advises the men to carry parasols during the hottest weather. There has been a disposition, especially in the west, to poke fun at the men who attempt to shield their heads from the sun. In the east many men carry parasols, and it may soon be the custom in the west. As Dr. Chappell says, there is no good reason

why the women should have a monopoly of summer comforts. Fashion and custom have discriminated against the male sex. The men have had to suffer under the weight of coats when the thermometer was around 100 in the shade, while the women have been wearing peek-a-boo waists and hose and thin dresses. It ought to be just as correct for a man to appear at a social function without coat or vest, provided his shirt is clean, as for a woman to appear in a peek-a-boo waist. Happily the custom is changing gradually, and men are able to appear in costume more comfortable without incurring criticism from the ultra fashionable.

ANOTHER DEATH PENALTY.

Judge John Gibbons, of Chicago, advocates the passage of a law making assaults on women punishable by death. The people generally would agree that assaults on women should be made punishable by death for the simple reason that such a crime upon the liberty, the health and the honor of the weaker sex cannot be punished adequately except by death. The being who would make such an assault is not fit to live in a civilized community.

But the trouble with a law of that kind is the great danger of the conviction of innocent persons. If the women were all pure and honest such a law might be safe. But unfortunately these conditions do not exist. It is well known that the prejudices and the hatred of some women surpasses that of the same class of men. Again there is a disposition in all classes of society to accept as true any charge of this character made by a woman against a man. To such an extent is this true that while it is commonly understood that when one is charged with a crime one is entitled to be regarded as innocent until proved guilty by his accusers yet in the case of a man charged by a woman with improper conduct he is regarded, from the moment the charge is made as guilty and he is compelled to prove his innocence, which in most cases is scarcely possible.

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BEVERIDGE IS NOT A LOSER.

Torre Haute Gazette: If Senator Beveridge has not accomplished all that he expected in the admission of Oklahoma and Indian Territory as one state, and the doubtful chance of New Mexico and Arizona coming in as another, he accomplished one important result in blocking several years ago the purpose of the late Senator Quay to have four states made of the territories, which selfish and unworthy scheme was defeated in the vigorous fight made by Senator Beveridge.

There is nothing to be said against the new state of Oklahoma, which will have a population of nearly a million people, while there is no especial advantage in the admission of New Mexico and Arizona, further than that it will be well when the whole population of the United States, including the territories, shall be under state governments.

USE RUBBER.

An exchange suggests that, if it is true as stated by a Missouri exponent of pure food, that there are forty-two doses of poison in the meal of the average man, we need metal lined stomachs. Chemically speaking this is scarcely correct because there might be corrosion of the stomach to add to ourills. Perhaps the best material for stomachs would be rubber.

The inquiry was concluded shore especially into the action of the Western Union, though the committee declares that the Postal Telegraph company also violated the public confidence, though in a lesser degree. The report scores the Western Union for failure to make proper effort to restore its wires, and then says in part:

The evidence of the postoffice officials is that more than half of these telegrams sent by mail were addressed to points in the burned district. It is estimated by your committee that at least \$1,000,000 was collected from all parts of the United States and Europe for messages which were not transmitted by telegraph, and the committee has not been able to find that the telegraph company has contributed one cent toward the relief fund.

Our committee believes that the Western Union Telegraph company obtained large sums of money by false representation, and would recommend the indictment of these officials but for that section of the law which requires evidence of the false obtaining of a sum of over \$50 to make it a felony.

We believe that the company committed the grossest fraud in maintaining its sign purporting to be doing a telegraphic business when in reality it was taking the people's money and sending the messages by messenger and mail.

Attention is called to the fact that the senders of messages which were handled in this way are entitled to the return of the tolls and liquidated damage for each message. The report recommends that the evidence be laid before the federal grand jury and sent to President Roosevelt.

It appears that they were not content with taking the money of the people and not rendering service, but attempted to come into the "bread line" as one of the stricken populace.

This refers to the fact that the Western Union sought to send its messages by mail without stamps.

These are serious charges and it either or both these companies are guilty of these frauds upon the public. No punishment would be too severe.

There is no doubt that these companies immediately following the calamity were overwhelmed with messages and may have accepted more business than they were able to dispose of, and accepted tolls for the same but this cannot excuse them. It was the business of the companies to know how much they could do and accept no more. The individual who goes to a telegraph company goes there because he expects speedy transmission and delivery.

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L. H. Sullivan to R. V. Hoddy lot 16 in blk. 14 in J. K. Warren & Co.'s 9th add to Decatur; \$1,000.

W. P. Shadie to Iona B. Cornelius lot 14 in blk. 14 in Woods subdivision in Gubler's add to Decatur \$1,600.

J. H. Conrad to Jesse Humphries lot 9 in A. C. Williams' add to Decatur \$1,000.

Fourth of July Will Be a Big Day at Several Places.

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The Hon. Joseph Bailey, of Texas, is certainly among the foremost democrats of the country but his chances for the presidential nomination of his party are worthless so long as W. J. Bryan can enthuse the democracy.

It is only an incident. Hearst did not intend to exploit Bryan for the presidency.

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SEVENTY-THREE YEARS' RESIDENCE IN DECATUR

James Abrams Holds the Record for Number of Years Lived In Macon County--Says Indians Had Disappeared Before His Arrival.



JAMES ABRAMS.

Knew Lincoln.

The old court house suggested Lincoln. Mr. Abrams said that his personal acquaintance with Lincoln was slight but he had heard him speak in public many times and had often been one of the listeners when Lincoln told stories, and when talking on that subject, he said, "One thing that made Lincoln such a good story teller was that even when he told stories that made you laugh until you cried, his face would be as solemn as the grave. Oglethorpe? Yes I knew Dick, and all of the other Oglethorpe boys intimate and what a fellow Dick was to have fun with."

All Gone.

Of the persons that he knew in an early day there are now none living. There are a few persons who have lived here almost as long as Mr. Abrams but he did not know them at that time. While talking about old times Dr. W. J. Chenoweth passed and Mr. Abrams said "I remember the first time I saw Dr. Chenoweth I was then about 17 years old. When he was a young man he was one of the most handsome men I have ever seen. My father was then living on a farm on the other side of Stevens' Creek and Dr. Chenoweth and Dr. King, on their way north stopped at our house to get a drink of water and talked for a moment with my father."

Fuel Was a Question.

"When I was a boy my father told me that one time there would come a day when all of the prairies all the way to Salt Creek would be farmed. In those days the settlers always built their houses in the edge of the timber so they would have fuel, and I wondered where they would get firewood if they lived away out on the prairie. The squaw and that kept it in mind when otherwise I might have forgotten it. The last band of Indians I remember seeing was when I was perhaps 12 years old I camped along the branch which is what is now Fairview park."

An Indian Village.

According to the stories of the people who lived here at that time, the Indians who made their home in Decatur lived on what is known as the Hillmen farm. The redmen had a village on a bluff just south of the Mill bridge but they had left this place long before I was big enough to know anything about it and when I was a boy I played in the woods on what was said to be the site of the Indian village.

Game Abundant.

With there were no Indians here there was plenty of game. Deer were numerous and often when I was a boy I shot deer that were in our village. When I was a youngster there was scarcely ever a time that we did not have either fresh or dried venison in our house. I was never a hunter in the sense of going on expeditions to kill deer. I made only two trips one to Flat branch near Moweaqua, and one of them up to Fonda's Creek. When the deer could be had in and about Decatur I quit hunting them.

Wolves Profitable.

Wolf hunting, when I was young, was not only fun for the men engaged in it but it was profitable. I have known many men to pay their taxes with what they got from trapping wolves. If we set traps for there was a bounty of one dollar a head on them. In those days you could tell where the wolves had been by hearing the dogs bark. We always had a dog and many men had guns for chasing wolves. When a hunting party went out they had a bloodhound or deer hounds to trail and get up the wolf's trail to run him down. A greyhound will outrun a wolf very easily. He fights like the wolf does—teeth and nips and jumps back. Wolves always had a dog to follow while the greyhound was keeping the wolf from running. A bulldog would make short work of a wolf. I knew where to take hold and how to bring him in.

The First School House.

The first school house was the old log house which stood on Lincoln square. That old cabin was comfortable, school house, church and everything else that the people needed. Jim Stevens, after whom Stevens' Creek is named, was the teacher and he taught us the alphabet. In those days it was common to see young men in school just learning to read. My brother, Henry, was a man in size and almost in years when I began to go to school and when the way was muddy he carried me on his back. He used to read a little but never did learn to write.

Was Rejected.

When the Civil war broke out and Colonel L. C. Pugh organized a regiment, James Abrams wanted to enlist. He was intimately acquainted with Colonel Pugh and the latter said "Jim, you know better than that. You wouldn't last any time as a soldier. You stay home and do what you can to care for your family."

At that time he was not in robust health. Colonel Pugh knew all about that and would not consider his appli-

cation. Before the war closed Mr. Abrams had had a long illness that completely incapacitated him and in telling about it he says that by the time the war came to an end he was simply a living skeleton. At that time he was generally regarded as little better than a confirmed invalid. Now he declares that he enjoys good health and, while not fit for soldering, says that he never felt better. He is quite independent, proud of the fact that he can make his own living and that he does not have to depend on anyone although he has children who would be glad to care for him if he chose to can't do that.

ELECTION JUDGES NAMED.

Those Who Will Serve in Christian County.

Special Correspondence.

Taylorville, Ill., June 15.—Following are the judges of election recently appointed by the board of supervisors:

Assumption—First district, Robert Morrison; F. W. Baxmeyer, David Ridge; Second district, Eugene Roger, W. Panneton, Jessie Beeman.

Bear Creek—I. F. Kramer, H. A. Best.

Greenwood—W. B. Watkins, P. M. Klinfelter, C. A. Hitchcock.

King John Haywood, N. A. Irwin.

Pana—First district, John Gillespie, John Hart, Robert Hutton, Sr.; Second district, W. L. Gehring, James DeLane, Charles M. Roach; Third district, John Orr, G. M. Ludwick, George M. Blecke; Fourth district, Homer Necomb, Charles Plittinger, George M. Marshland.

Ricks—First district, O. A. Keiso, W. H. Hearn; Second district, W. F. Langen, J. F. Pope, Tim Regan.

Rosemond—W. N. Grimes, C. G. Richards, George Swin.

South Fork—W. T. Miller, C. Caloway.

Locust—George Ritscher, William Crawford.

May—E. D. Coonrod, Hubert Cutler, Al McKnight.

Mt. Auburn—E. R. Mooney, James Sullenger, W. P. Khanian.

Prateline—I. M. Holdreiter, E. D. Smith, Isaac Barnes.

Stonington—Allen Corzine, C. Drake.

Taylorville—First district, F. M. Martin, G. W. Livergood, S. J. Osborne, Second district, W. S. Scott;

Third district, Ottis Harlan, Alfred Adams; Fourth district, E. A. Campbell, Lloyd Kinney, F. B. Martin.

Buckhart—First district, J. R. Harrington, George A. Wacker, E. A. Vidal, Second district, Bert Kirk, F. Hurlbrink, George Herrod.

Taylorville Notes.

C. A. Parrish, formerly a jeweler of this city, is now in the employ of a large wholesale jewelry house of Chicago. His son, Dwight, is in the real estate business in Independence, Kan.

Mary Ossole charged with stealing a watch from Mrs. Mary Leeser, was found not guilty Tuesday before Judge Weaver.

Dr. C. Martin Cornelius, age 60 years, died at his home in West Taylorville from a cancer of the bowels. The funeral was held at the residence, Rev. Wood officiating. Interment was made in the Oak Hill cemetery.

David Jones, aged 29 years, and a driver in the new mine, was seriously injured Wednesday by being crushed between two coal cars. Dr. Charles and J. M. Neimeir administered medical aid and pronounced him injured internally.

Perry L. Hollis, a tailor formerly in the employ of E. W. Davis of this city, was married here Wednesday to Miss Eva Corn of this city. Rev. E. K. Shultz performed the ceremony.

The price of coal has advanced 16 per cent since the strike. Following are the old and new prices:

Old New Lump per ton \$2.20 \$2.50 Nut per ton 2.00 2.25 Pea, per ton 1.50 1.75

Lieutenant W. R. Dexheimer, of Company B, Fifth regiment, I. N. G., went to Moline Thursday to attend the annual meeting of the National Guard association.

E. W. Wolaver shipped a carload of horses to Brooklyn, N. Y., by Pacific express Tuesday evening.

Clifford Hunter has retired from the bloodied pigeon business and Thursday shipped the remaining assignment of 200 pair of homing birds to a dealer in Pennsylvania. Mr. Hunter has been in the pigeon business for a number of years and retires only on account of this line conflicting with other business interests.

Attorney Frank P. Drennan has purchased a promising 4-year-old trotter from a partier in Hillsboro.

A boy was born yesterday to Mr. and Mrs. Olive White of Grove City; also a boy to Mr. and Mrs. I. O. Beaver of South Fork township.

Percy Adams went to Owamico Wednesday, where he is supervising a telephone pole setting crew.

FILE SAW.

Among the butchers he is today as well known as he was among the young folks years ago when he was in demand as a fiddler. Now he files saws.

He was always something of an expert in that line and long before he quit work as a carpenter he was in demand for filing saws. As a side issue he took up that work in 1881 and has been at it ever since. For a number of years he has done no other work. That work for the butchers gives him three days employment each week and that is as much as he cares to do. He is, by the way, something of a wag, has a keen sense of humor, has not soured on the world. Talking about his work he suddenly said "Why I don't have to work. Don't think that. If I didn't want to work I could starve," and he laughed heartily.

HILL SIGHT IS GOOD.

Filing saws generally is a strain on the eyes. Abrams wears glasses but declares that his eyesight is better now than it was twenty years ago. He does not require glasses when filing a coarse saw but when working on a butcher's saw must use them. He is a saw setter, too, and in doing that work he uses only a hammer and a punch, the old time way. He has used a saw setter but does not like it and says that he can do more with hammer and punch, but he smiles when he admits that he spoiled more than one saw before he had acquired the knack of hitting the punch the right blow every time.

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BRIDE AND GROOM BACK.

Mrs. William Wehmeler, formerly Miss Leslie Maffit, spent Sunday with her father and sisters. Mr. and Mrs. Wehmeler returned Saturday from their wedding trip. He came over from Springfield yesterday afternoon and last night they returned to the capital city to make their home.

NO PROVOCATION.

Clinton, June 16.—Frank Richey,

a nephew of Austin J. Richey, was arrested this afternoon on a warrant sworn out by Oscar Lucas, charging him with assault and battery. It appears that the plaintiff was riding his wheel along Main street when the defendant rushed out from the sidewalk and stopped the machine, throwing Lucas heavily to the ground. The plaintiff was at the time collecting for the Decatur Herald, in whose employ he has been for some considerable time, and has always been found an honest and truthful boy. He states that for some time the defendant has been annoying him in the performance of his duty, but up to this time has not taken any notice of the defendant's actions, but when it came to the point where he was bodily thrown from his wheel, sustaining a severe bruise on the forehead, he thought it time to put a stop to the defendant's conduct, so he consulted State's Attorney Miller, with the result that Frank Richey was arrested. Witnesses will testify in the case, that Lucas was riding along unconcerned when the brutal and violent assault was made, and everything will be done both on the part of the State's Attorney and the parents of Lucas to give this young defendant his just dues. The case will be heard on Monday before Justice Donahue.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

James R. Hinton, Decatur 25

Sarah P. Dickson, Decatur 18

William Roberts, Decatur 21

Belle Dazeley, Decatur 16

Charles W. Vaughn, Springfield Legal

Marie J. Slewens, Decatur Legal

GASH IS NOT GUILTY

Accused of Hitting a Sick

Woman in Back with

Brick.

POLICE COURT TRIAL

Clinton, June 16.—The case of the

People vs. Eugene Gash was heard in

Justice McHenry's court this morning.

Gash was charged with assault and bat-

ttery. It was testified that Mr. and

Mrs. John Wade live in their father's

home with their family. For some con-

siderable time there has been some bad

feeling between the two, and on June

5 last, Mrs. Wade saw some cans in

her part of the yard that Gash had

thrown there and she immediately

threw them over to his part of the

yard. He remonstrated and she went

screeching into the house saying that

he had thrown a brick at her.

Dr. Spalding was called and in his tes-

timony on the stand stated that a bruise

was found on the back of Mrs. Wade

but he could not definitely say how

this got there. There was practically

no evidence to show that Gash threw

the brick as there were no witnesses to

this act. She complained of hem-

orrhage of the lungs directly after the

assault but as she was a consumptive

this was a frequent occurrence and the

doctor did not know of any such hem-

orrhage at this particular time. It

appears that Mrs. Wade has wanted to

get rid of the defendant for some

time and therefore has brought this

case. The jury found a verdict of not

guilty.

PIATT GRAND JURY CHOSEN

Men Are Selected to Serve in

That County Next Term

of Court.

THE ELECTION JUDGES

Are Also Named to Serve for

Ensuing Year.

FINDLAY

Clinton, June 16.—The grand

jurors selected for the September term

of court of Piatt county are as follows:

Bement—Thomas Lamb, Jr., Thomas

THE PILLAR of LIGHT

... By ...
Louis Tracy,
Author of
"The
Wings
of the
Morning"
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Synopsis of Story.

Chapter I.—At daybreak an assistant keeper of the lighthouse, pacing the gallery, discovers in the distance a ship in distress. Stephen Brand agrees to swim to it. Upon reaching the ship he comes in contact with a shark which kills him and goes ashore. He finds the body of a dead man and a strange bundle beneath the sea. Jones, the lighthouse keeper, loves a strange bundle, Brand, and his strange bundle safely up.

Chapter II.—The bundle contains a live baby, of which Jones assumes the care. On a part of the child's clothing are the initials "E. T." The little one is placed in care of the nurse who has charge of Stephen Brand's child in Penzance. They call the child Enid Trevillion.

At first they gazed at her with surprise, Brand even suspending his maneuvers for a moment. Then Jim, knowing that a steamship trumpets the same note to express all sorts of emotion, understood that the officers had witnessed a good deal. If not all, that had taken place and were offering their congratulations.

"Blow away, my hearties!" cried Jim, vainly apostrophizing the vessel. "You'll have somethin' to crack about when you go ashore tonight or I'm very much mistaken. Now, cap'n," he went on, "take the cover off. It's alive, I suppose. Is it a man or a woman?"

CHAPTER II.

BRAND was slow to answer. For one thing, he was exhausted. Refreshing as the long swim was after a night of lonely vigil, itself the culmination of two days of hard work, the fierce battle with the shark had shocked into active existence the reserve of latent energy which every healthy animal unconsciously hoards for life and death emergencies.

But there was another reason. He had scarce gained the comparative safety of the boat before he was, in the same instant, horrified and astounded to a degree hitherto beyond his experience. Not even the stiff pull of 200 yards sufficed to restore his senses. So Jim's question fell on his ears with the meaningless sound of the steamer's siren.



A shining body rose half out of the water.

"What is it, mate?" repeated his fellow keeper, more insistently. "You ain't hurt anyways, are you?"

"It is a baby," said Brand, to a curiously vacant way.

"A baby!" shrieked Jones, stretched out over the crane above their heads.

"A what-a!" roared the sailor, whose crudely developed nervous system was not proof against the jar of incredulity induced by this statement. Had Brand said "a tiger" he could not have exhibited greater concern.

"Yes, a baby—and it is living. I heard it cry," inquired the other, sitting down rather suddenly.

Indeed, a faint wail, suggestive of a kitten, now came from beneath the tumbled canvas quite near to Jim. But the royal navy does not encourage neurosis. The lighthouse keeper felt that a minor crisis had arrived. It must be dealt with promptly.

The evil odor which still adhered to the boat told him that Brand had exchanged one inferno for another when he clambered out of the reach of the blindly revengeful shark.

He looked up to Jones.

"Lower away," he said promptly. "Swing the derrick until I grab the tackle, and then hoist me aboard."

This was done. Uggally in his walk, owing to his wounded limb, Jim, clinging to rope, had the best opportunity of a squirrel.

"Now lower a jug with some brandy. He's dead beat," he added.

While Jones hastened for the spirit, the sailor stooped and threw back the sail.

Lying in the bottom of the boat, wrapped in a blanket which unavailing struggles had rumpled into a roll beneath the arms, was an infant whose precise age it was impossible to estimate forthwith owing to the emaciated condition of its body.

With the rocking of the boat the soul-like water washed around the child's limbs and back. Instinct alone had investigated the shark's liver that he knocked the bird a yard through the air. Disconcerted, it retired, with a scream. Its companion darted to the vacuous site and pecked industriously. The neighborhood of the rock was now alive with sea gulls. In the water many varieties of funny shapes were darting to and fro in great excitement.

The old fisherman was mollified. He looked along the quay.

When Brand spoke in this way Jim Spence was far too wary to ask per-

sonal questions. Sometimes, in the early days of their acquaintance, he had sought to pin his friend with clumsy logic to some admission as to his natter, an they can't help it."

Unconscious that he had stated the primordial thesis, he left the foragers alone. Hauling the sail out of the water, he discovered that the stern board was missing, broken off probably when the mast fell. His trained scrutiny soon solved a puzzle suggested by the state of the cordage. Under ordinary conditions the upper part of the mast would either have carried the sail clean away with it or be found acting as a sort of sea anchor at a short distance from the boat.

But it had gone!

So far as the man could judge in a first hasty glance, the child's clothing was of excellent quality. Yet he gave slight heed to such considerations. Jim was the father of three lusty youngsters who were snugly in bed in Penzance, and the sight of this forlorn sea waif made his eyes misty.

He reached down, unpinched the blanket, which was secured with a brooch, and lifted the infant out of its unpleasing environment. It was pitiful to see the way in which the shrunken hands at once strove to clasp his wrists, though they were all too feeble to achieve more than a gentle clutch which relaxed almost as soon as the effort was made.

Jim, also a husband and father, be-thought him when he reached the storeroom; hence when the windlass lowered basket there was not only a supply of brandy within, but also a bottle of fresh milk, which reached the Gulf Rock, by arrangement with a fisherman, whenever weather permitted.

Jim handed the jug to his exhausted companion.

"Here, cap'n," he said cheerfully. "Take a couple of mouthfuls of this. It'll warm the cockles of your heart. An the sooner you shin up the ladder and get them soaked rags off you the better. Can you manage? It's a near chance for the kid, if not too late now."

Brand needed no second bidding. He did not wish to collapse utterly, and the soft breeze, rendered chilly by his wet garments, had revived him somewhat.

The resourceful sailor did not attempt the foolish process of pouring even the smallest quantity of milk into the baby's mouth. He produced a handkerchief, steeped a twisted corner in the milk and placed it between the parched, salt blackened lips.

This rough expedient for a feeding bottle served admirably. The child's eagerness togulp in the life-giving fluid was only matched by the tender care of the sailor in his efforts to appease its ravenous hunger.

He was so intent on this urgent task that for a little while he paid no heed to Brand. Jones, forty feet overhead, took the keenest interest in the baby's nurture.

"Mind you don't let it suck the handkerchief into its little throat," he cried. "Not too much, Jim. It's on'y a young'un. Half milk, half water an' a lump of sugar," my missus says. Pore little dear! However did it come to live, when that man must've been dead for days? Now, Jim, slow an' sure is the mother. Suppose you shore it into the basket an' let me hoist it up here. A warm bath an' a blanket is the next best thing to milk an' water."

"All right, skipper. Just hold on a bit. She's doin' fine."

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"All right, skipper. Just hold on a bit. She's doin' fine."

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NEARBY TOWNS

MT. ZION.

June 18.—J. D. O. M., member of Zion at the C. P. Union and were invited to the memorial service by Rev. R. G. Shaefer.

Miss Goldie Roberts of Bement visited relatives here Wednesday and Thursday.

Mrs. Ellen Werner of Cerro Gordo, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Ray Zartman.

Miss Nellie Gray of Decatur spent Sunday with Miss Bessele Seitz.

Mr. and Mrs. Lola Ball attended church in Hammond Sunday evening.

TOLONO.

Special Correspondence—Tolono, Ill., June 18.—S. M. Power of Chicago has been spending the week in Tolono, the guest of his relatives.

Mrs. John Stone has been sick for several days.

Miss Maude Allen returned home Tuesday, after a year's sojourn in the western states.

Mr. W. S. Darragh and C. H. Bell, who have been seriously ill for several days, are still in a critical condition.

Among those from this village who attended the graduation exercises at the University of Illinois this week were A. Hedges, Dr. S. A. Crabtree, Jesse McHarry and family and Misses Blanche Allen, Essie Shelly and Maude Allen.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Methodist church will meet with Mrs. J. F. Cawley on Thursday afternoon.

Eva Birdsell returned home Friday from a ten days' visit in Pferderson.

The pastor of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches had arranged for joint services on the evenings during the months of July and August.

The picnic of the Domestic Science clubs of Champaign county will be held at the high school park in Tolono on Wednesday, June 20.

A. L. Kramer has begun work on the new post office in this village, already having the foundation laid and it is expected that in a short time everything will be going right.

An orchestra has been organized for the Methodist Sabbath school.

Mrs. H. H. Camp is making a ten days' trip to Illinois.

The township Sunday school convention is to be held at the Presbyterian church on June 21.

Miss Georgia Brownfield of Champaign came yesterday for a week's visit with friends.

BEMENT.

Special Correspondence.

Bement, Ill., June 18.—Mr. Morrison of Iowa is visiting his sister, Mrs. James Hinton.

Cecil Stevenson and friend, Will Glass of Champaign, Sunday with the former's parents, Rev. and Mrs. Stevenson.

Bernard Teinney of Decatur is visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Taber.

Miss Jessie Curran visited in Bement last week.

Mrs. Emma Peet and niece, Mildred Nichols, of Decatur, are visiting in Willow Branch.

Mrs. Courtland Camp and little daughter are visiting the former's sister in Indianapolis, Ind.

Mrs. Frank Dawson and children of Texas are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Dawson.

Misses Genia Davies, Mary Hanks and Nine Moore are attending the summer term at Normal.

Misses Susie Hubbard, Ella Adkins, Nettie Dawson, Edith Conway and Nine Wright attended the Epworth League convention at Gibson City last week.

Jeff Harshbarger is in Charleston looking after his interest in the oil wells.

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PERU SCHOOL.

Special Correspondence.

Peru, Ill., June 18.—There is a fine prospect for a good wheat harvest, but oats don't look so promising.

The Children's day services at Madison were well attended and a splendid program rendered, there being about 200 present.

Charles Jacobs has completed his ditch through his farm.

Blue Mound township is filling the highway near Charles Jacobs' farm.

Uncle Jimmy Chapman is busy delivering barrels these days.

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The Stonington band gave their second open air concert Saturday night from 8 to 10. It is expressing itself nicely to say the large crowd enjoyed the music very much. The boys through perseverance practice under the direction of a competent leader have certainly organized a band any town need well be proud of.

Several from here attended the Asbury chapel Sunday afternoons. Mrs. Clara Edgecomb, and children of Lake City this week, returned home Saturday after a brief visit with relatives here.

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SULLIVAN NEWS

Happenings at the Moultrie County Seat

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PRETTY SERVICE CHILDREN'S DAY

At Presbyterian Church in Sullivan on Last Sunday.

RED MEN INITIATE

Give Degrees to About 20 Candidates—Personals.

Special to the Herald.

Sullivan, Ill., June 18.—Children's day was observed at the Presbyterian church Sunday. The morning services were devoted entirely in reference to the children. The singing was led by a chorus choir of fifteen voices. The boys of the church attended in a body.

The pastor, Rev. A. M. Williams, delivered three short sermons, one to the girls, one to the boys and one to all children.

The subject of the evening services was "Light Bearers." The central section of the church was given over to the children. After two organ selections, a beautifully rendered violin solo was given by Karl Thuneman.

After this the lights were turned out and a number of scripture quotations were given on "The Darkness of Sin."

At the close of the exercises a grand march was given by twenty boys bearing torches who marched and counter-marched for ten minutes.

When the children were all in position they sang several songs appropriate to the march.

After this exercise was concluded a prayer was offered which was an expansion of the Lord's Prayer, by Miss Jessie Cooley with response by the girls.

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A team belonging to Robert Crawford.

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The Stonington ball team was beaten at Mt. Auburn Sunday by a score of 13 to 5. The Stonington boys say they treated really by the manager and players but the conduct of some of the fans was enough to ruin the sport.

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TO LATE FOR THE FUNERAL

Harry Travis Reached Niantic After Mother Was Buried.

Niantic, June 18.—Harry Travis arrived from Winfield, Kan., Wed., called by the death of his mother, Mrs. Jane Travis. He found the funeral services were over and the congregation gone to Berea cemetery. A wreath had been laid on Mrs. Travis' grave. She was one of our most highly esteemed Christian citizens.

She leaves three other sons, Charles of Manchester, Ill., and Frank, of Christian County, one daughter, Mrs. Benjamin Bramel, also of Christian county. Rev. Pierce preached the funeral

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Mr. and Mrs. Frank and Olive Newell are gone to Dallas for an extended visit with friends.

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WILL CONFIRM LARGE CLASS AT ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

One Hundred and Fifty Will Receive the Rite From Bishop Next Sunday.

Possibly the largest class ever confirmed at St. Patrick's Catholic church will be the class of 1906, which will be confirmed by Right Reverend James Ryan of Alton, following the regular 10:30 o'clock mass next Sunday morning. In the 1906 class there are sixty-six children, and together with these will be the classes of the past two years. It has been the custom only to confirm those classes every three years.

The members of the class received their first communion Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock from the rector Rev. Father Murphy, and at 3 o'clock, Sunday afternoon the boys of the class signed the total abstinence pledge, until they are 21 years of age, and were enrolled in the scapula of Mt. Carmel.

Large Class.

Altogether in the three classes there will be a total of possibly one hundred and fifty, to be confirmed.

Following the confirmation exercises at St. Patrick's church in the morning, Bishop Ryan will confirm a class at St. James' German Catholic church in the afternoon.

The following are the names of the members of the class of 1906, the names of the members of the classes of 1904 and 1905 having been published at a former date.

The Boys.

Eugene Bickes
Walter Doherty
William Flynn
Ralf Byrne
Thomas McGovern
William Dayton
Harry Kreiger
Leo McEvoy
Oscar Laing
Dan Bradley
Emmett Powers
Vigil Hough
Leo Dehaven
James Dill
Bernard Macney
Charles Bickes

Eugene Bowman
Thomas Wilkinson
Matthew Doyle
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Louis Bickes
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Charles Dodge
William Farley
John Dayton
Joseph Michaels
William Conkley
James Dayton
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Thomas Dayton
Thomas Payne
James Gavrin

The Girls.

Murielle Cantwell
Rose Hughes
Mary Mooney
Elizabeth Clark
Mabel Brown
Margaret Sheehan
Catherine Moran
Alberta Myers
Genevieve Gunning
Kathy Buckley
Eleanor Morris
Aileen Higgins
Mary Finn
Gertrude Ryan
Jane Hughes
Beatrice Russell

Mary Sheehan
Louise Von Erde
Gertrude Shorb
Helen Wetz
Agnes Huber
Alma Van Ente
Margaret McCauley
Jane Hayes
Mary Simms
Mary Freund

MISS POWERS IS COMING

Decatur Violinist Will Return for Vacation Before Going to Australia.

ELMER ROLEY IS ASSAULTED

Man Knocks Him Unconscious While at Dreamland Park Sunday.

Elmer Roley, night clerk at the Star restaurant, was the victim of a cowardly assault at Dreamland park yesterday afternoon and it was all done so quick that the fellow who committed it was away before anyone realized just what had happened. Roley was talking to some friends when another fellow walked up behind him, and without a word of warning hauled off and smashed him just back of the ear with his bare fist. Roley was unconscious for about five minutes. The fellow who did the trick took to his heels and jumped the fence before anyone could intercept him. Those who saw the assault did not know who the fellow was, although Roley thinks he's certain he knows who it was, and those with him will recognize him at a glance if they can see him. Persons who saw it said it was, to say the least, a cowardly trick. Roley says he will make it warn for the fellow.

Wedding of Trevor L. Wright and Miss Dora Young Sunday.

BOTH OF DECATUR

Affair Takes Place at Home of Mr. and Mrs. Schriber.

At high noon Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Schriber, 413 University avenue, Champaign, Illinois, occurred the marriage of Trevor L. Wright and Miss Dora M. Young, both of Decatur. The couple were attended by F. A. Becker of Grand Rapids,

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Charles Mathew, the young son of Harvey Mathew, a farmer living south of Maroa, died Sunday as a result of being kicked by a vicious horse. He was able to walk to the house but on reaching the door cried for help. The housekeeper assisted him inside. A physician was called and eased the boy's pain but he died about 1:30 p.m. Internal injuries caused the death.

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FAST DRIVE FOR WEDDING.

Couple Win Race With No One in Pursuit.

Forest City, Ark., June 17.—After driving five miles in 33 minutes Bob Little and Miss Ada Lancaster reached the house of Squire Turley, where they were married at 2 o'clock in the morning. The couple had been in love for some time, but the bride's parents and relatives objected to him as a husband, and when Little asked permission to marry Miss Lancaster he was severely beaten by her relatives. Determined to marry, the couple arranged an elopement, and with the help of J. L. Thomas the young lover stole his sweetheart and made a quick drive, so as to reach the justice office before being caught by his bride's father and brothers.

GREAT CHESS MASTER DEAD

Apoplexy Causes Death of Harry Pillsbury at Philadelphia.

WAS NOT YET THIRTY-FOUR

Had Played in Fourteen International Tournaments and Had Lost But One.

FAMOUS HORSE IS NO MORE

Sysonby, Winner of Big Stakes, Is Dead.

New York, June 17.—James R. Keene's famous four year old colt Sysonby, conceded last year to be the best horse in training in America, died today at Sheephead Bay of blood poisoning. Keene was offered and refused \$100,000 for his colt when the horse, whose only defeat was in the Futurity of 1904, was a two year old. He won \$184,000 in stakes in two years' racing.

Mr. Pillsbury on several occasions visited Decatur. He was brought here by the Decatur club and gave exhibitions which were marvelous. Quite a number of the local chess and checkers players have played with him on these occasions.

DINNERS FOR ELLEN TERRY

Entertainment in Her Honor Given At London.

London, June 17.—A dinner was given at the Hotel Cecil tonight in honor of Ellen Terry. The two hundred guests included persons prominent in the theatrical world.

It was announced that the Terry jubilee fund, including the receipts from the benefit performance at Drury Lane theatre and subscriptions in America, amounts to \$43,000.

MASONS ARRIVING

Boston, June 17.—Several hundred persons prominent in the Masonic fraternity have arrived in this city to attend the meeting of the general grand chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the United States and the general grand council of Royal and Select Masters of the United States. The former body will hold its thirty-third triennial convention and later its ninth triennial assembly. The sessions begin tomorrow.

DEAD IN DENTIST'S OFFICE

Chicago Girl Found Asphyxiated Mysteriously.

Chicago, June 17.—Miss Grace Sloan, 25 years old, of 932 West Van Buren street, was found asphyxiated under mysterious circumstances today in the office of Dr. Joseph J. Sherrill, 203 South Halsted street. She is believed to have committed suicide.

Dr. Sherrill, who is a dentist, was taken into custody pending an inquest. She came to the office yesterday," said Sherrill, "and we went to the Blue Light saloon and had some drinks. We returned to the office and I left her there. She turned on the gas and died after I left."

FISH IN A COAL VEIN

Fossilized Specimens Found 800 Feet Deep in the Earth.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., June 17.—A fossilized fish, four feet long, was discovered in a coal vein in the Conyngham mine today by Richard Thomas, a miner, at a depth of 800 feet below the surface. It looks like a catfish, tapers from head to tail like a fish, is one foot wide and about five inches thick in the middle. Part of the head is missing. It is the largest specimen of its kind ever found here.

FUNERALS.

Osecola Kellar.

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